## WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A light-emitting semiconductor device comprising:

an n-layer with n-type conduction of group III nitride compound semiconductor satisfying the formula  $Al_{x3}Ga_{y3}In_{1-x3-y3}N, \text{ inclusive of } x3=0, y3=0 \text{ and } x3=y3=0;$ 

a p-layer with p-type conduction of group III  $\label{eq:conduction} \mbox{nitride compound semiconductor satisfying the formula } Al_{x1} Ga_{y1} In_{1-x1-y1} N, \mbox{ inclusive of } x1=0, \mbox{ } y1=0 \mbox{ and } x1=y1=0;$ 

an emission layer of group III nitride compound semiconductor satisfying the formula  $Al_{x2}Ga_{y2}In_{1-x2-y2}N$ , inclusive of x2=0, y2=0 and x2=y2=0;

a junction/structure of said n-layer, said p-layer, and said emission/layer being any one of a homo-junction structure, a single hetero-junction structure, and a double hetero-junction structure; and

wherein said emission layer is formed between said n-layer and said p-layer, and doped with both a donor and an acceptor impurity.

2 / A light-emitting semiconductor device of claim 1, wherein said donor impurity is one of the group IV elements and said acceptor impurity is one of the group II elements.

- 3. A light-emitting semiconductor device of claim 2, wherein said donor impurity is silicon (Si) and said acceptor impurity is cadmium (Cd).
- 4. A light-emitting semiconductor device of claim 2, wherein said donor impurity is silicon (Si) and said acceptor impurity is zinc (Zn).
- 5. A light-emitting semiconductor device of claim 2, wherein said donor impurity is silicon (Si) and said acceptor impurity is magnesium (Mg).
- 6. A light-emitting semiconductor device of claim

  1, wherein said emission layer exhibits any one of n
  type conduction, semi-insulative and p-type conduction

  characteristics depending on concentration ratio of said

  donor impurity and said acceptor impurity doped thereto.
- 7. A light-emitting semiconductor device of claim 1, wherein said donor impurity is one of the group VI elements.
- 8. Alght-emitting semiconductor device of claim 1, wherein the composition ratio of Al, Ga and In in

said n-layer, said p-layer and said emission layer is designed to meet each of the lattice constants of said layers to a lattice constant of an  $n^+$ -layer of high carrier concentration.

9. A light-emitting semiconductor device comprising:

an n-layer with n-type conduction of group III  $\label{eq:conductor} \text{nitride compound semiconductor satisfying the formula } \\ \text{Al}_{x3} \text{Ga}_{y3} \text{In}_{1-x3-y3} \text{N}, \text{ inclusive of } x3\text{=}0, \text{ } y3\text{=}0 \text{ and } x3\text{=}y3\text{=}0;$ 

a p-layer with p-type conduction of group III nitride compound semiconductor satisfying the formula  $\text{Al}_{x1}\text{Ga}_{y1}\text{In}_{1-x1-y1}\text{N}, \text{ inclusive of } \text{x1=0}, \text{ y1=0 and } \text{x1=y1=0};$ 

an emission layer with p-type conduction of group III nitride compound semiconductor satisfying the formula  $\text{Al}_{x2}\text{Ga}_{yy}\text{IV}_{1-x2-y2}\text{N}$ , inclusive of x2=0, y2=0 and x2=y2=0 sandwiched between said n-layer and said p-layer; and

wherein said emission layer has a narrower band gap than those  $\phi t$  said n-layer and said p-layer, and has p-type conduction.

10. Vight-emitting semiconductor device of claim 9, wherein said emission layer is doped with magnesium (Mg), a donor impurity, and an acceptor impurity.

11. A light-emitting semiconductor device of claim 10, wherein said donor impurity is one of the group IV elements and said acceptor impurity is one of the group II elements.

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- 12. A light-emitting semiconductor device of claim 11, wherein said donor impurity is silicon (Si) and said acceptor impurity is cadmium (Cd).
- 13. A light-emitting semiconductor device of claim 11, wherein said donor impurity is silicon (Si) and said acceptor impurity is zinc (Zn).
- 14. A light/emitting semiconductor device of claim 11, wherein said donor impurity is silicon (Si) and said acceptor impurity is magnesium (Mg).
- 15. A light-emitting semiconductor device of claim 11, wherein the composition ratio of Al, Ga, and In in said p-layer, said n-layer, and said emission layer is designed to meet each of the lattice constants of said layers to a lattice constant of an n<sup>+</sup>-layer of high carrier concentration.

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